

**Question for written answer E-000856/2022**  
**to the Commission**  
Rule 138  
**Peter Lundgren (ECR)**

Subject: Common agricultural policy

The European Ombudsman Emily O'Reilly has said that she has put a question to the Commission concerning how it ensures transparency and a balanced representation of different interests when it comes to the agriculture budget. The Ombudsman also asked whether the Commission will monitor whether the information that Member States have on the beneficiaries of CAP funding is correct, and what transparency measures will be taken with regard to its discussions with Member States on how they plan to hit the targets set in the CAP, including those of the European Green Deal. The Ombudsman is also interested in how the EU administration interacts with lobbyists and stakeholders.

1. How does the Commission ensure transparency and a balanced representation of different interest groups when it comes to the CAP?
2. How does the Commission verify that CAP funds are being used correctly?